

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1694

INFO AMEMBASSY KABUL

AMCONSUL KARACHI

AMCONSUL LAHORE

AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, PK

SUBJ: INVESTIGATION INTO ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON WALI KHAN

REF: ISLAMABAD 8476

1. AT OCTOBER 20 PRESS CONFERENCE ANNOUNCING "CLEAN-UP" CAMPAIGN OF ARRESTS IN NWFP, CHIEF MINISTER GANDAPUR WAS ASKED ABOUT PROGRESS OF INVESTIGATION INTO SEPTEMBER 28 ATTEMPT ON LIFE OF OPPOSITION LEADER WALI KHAN. GANDAPUR SAID INVESTIGATION HAD BROUGHT OUT THAT TOTAL OF TWENTY PERSONS (WHOM HE DID NOT IDENTIFY) HAD BEEN INVOLVED IN PLOT AGAINST WALI AND THAT NINETEEN OF THEM HAD ALREADY BEEN APPREHENDED. INVESTIGATION INDICATED THAT THERE WAS NO "POLITICAL" MOTIVE BEHIND PLOT. HE ADDED THAT WALI HIMSELF WAS NOW SATISFIED WITH THE INQUIRY.

2. IN COURSE OF OCTOBER 21 CONVERSATION WITH CONSUL PESHAWAR AND POL COUNSELOR, KHYBER MAIL EDITOR  
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ASGAR ALI SHAH SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THAT WALI WAS IN FACT

REASONABLY SATISFIED WITH OUTCOME OF INVESTIGATION.  
THOSE ARRESTED, ACCORDING TO EDITOR, WERE MEMBERS OF  
MAZDOOR KISSAN (LEFT-WING PARTY BASED ON RURAL  
TENANTS AND LANDLESS LABORERS) AND WALI WAS NOW  
CONVINCED MK WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR ATTEMPT ON HIS LIFE.  
RECALLING ALLEGED PAST COOPERATION BETWEEN BHUTTO  
ADMINISTRATION AND MK AGAINST NAP IN FRONTIER, HOWEVER,  
WALI STILL SUSPICIOUS THAT BHUTTO HAD ENGINEERED ASSASSI-  
NATION ATTEMPT WITH MK AS HIS AGENT.  
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